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Law and Order Committee welcomes new Deputy Chief of Police



PHOTO: (left to right) Council Delegate Edmund Yazzie, Navajo Nation Division of Public Safety executive director Jesse Delmar, Chief of Police Phillip B. Francisco, Deputy Chief Daryl Noon and wife Danielle Todacheene, Vice President Jonathan Nez, Judge Cynthia Thompson, and Council Delegate Otto Tso during the swearing-in ceremony at the Navajo Nation Museum in Window Rock, Ariz. on Jan. 8, 2019.

WINDOW ROCK – On Tuesday, Law and Order Committee chair Council Delegate Edmund Yazzie (Churchrock, Iyanbito, Mariano Lake, Pinedale, Smith Lake, Thoreau) and committee member Council Delegate Otto Tso (Tó Nanees Dizi) were in attendance to support Daryl Noon as he was sworn in as the new Deputy Chief of Police of the Navajo Police Department at a swearing-in ceremony held at the Navajo Nation Museum in Window Rock.

During the ceremony, Delegate Yazzie commended Chief of Police Phillip B. Francisco, Navajo Nation Division of Public Safety executive director Jesse Delmar, and the LOC members for working together to fill high-level positions within the Navajo Police Department, which were previously vacant for years.

“This has been a ‘we effort’ to hire a new deputy chief. The committee has been working hard with Navajo Nation Division of Public Safety to address public safety challenges and concerns for the past four years and there has been huge progress,” said Delegate Yazzie.

Deputy chief of police Darly Noon is Honágháanii (One-walks-around clan) and grew up in Shiprock, N.M. Prior to being selected for the position, Noon served with the Farmington Police Department as the deputy chief of police and has served over 23-years in law enforcement.

Moments after taking the oath of office administered by Navajo Judge Cynthia Thompson, Noon’s wife Danielle Todacheene pinned the Navajo Police badge on her husband.

Deputy chief Noon said he would do his best to provide safety and build trust with the Navajo people through responsive action, reliability, and respect.

Delegate Tso also commended Navajo Nation leadership for working together to fill the vacancy, which took over a year to complete. The LOC has set priorities to fill all police leadership positions within the past two years and many great initiatives are set to go forward, added Delegate Tso.

Also in attendance was Navajo Nation Vice President Jonathan Nez, who thanked deputy chief of police Noon for coming home to the Navajo Nation to provide leadership, hope, and guidance for the Police Department.

Deputy chief of police Daryl Noon begins his duties for the Navajo Police Department immediately.

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